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Questions for Discussion:

1. Read aloud [Colossians 3:18-21](#)
2. When you think about your family and how you were raised, what words best describe the culture within your family?
3. Do you believe that culture values the marriage relationship in America? Yes or No? Explain your answer.
4. What are some challenges that parents face in raising children?
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